### **NOVEMBER 2009**



# Town<sub>of</sub>Vienna

# **SE Quadrant Traffic Meeting**

The Vienna Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) is holding public hearings to listen to citizen concerns and suggestions relating to traffic safety for motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists. Meetings for northeast and northwest Vienna were held in September and October. The next meeting, for residents in the southeast quadrant of town, will be held on Tuesday, November 24, beginning at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. The final meeting is scheduled on January 26 for southwest Vienna. Residents may also send written comments to TSC Chairman Steve Kenney in care of Town Hall or e-mail tsc @viennava.gov.

## **Holiday Schedule**

Town Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27, for Thanksgiving. NO CURBSIDE RECY-CLING ON THANKSGIVING DAY.

## **Snow Brochure Inside**

See pages 5 and 6 for a brochure on the Town's snow removal program. Tear it out, fold it up, and save it all winter as a handy reference.

NEW IN TOWN? There's a welcome packet especially for new residents. Stop by Town Hall and pick one up, or call 703-255-6330 to have one mailed to you.



# **Church Street Holiday Stroll** Monday, November 30, 6-9 p.m.

Church Street will be closed between Lawyers Road and Mill Street. Stroll amid the sights and sounds of the holiday season & visit our Church Street merchants.

Freeman House, railroad station, caboose, Knights of Columbus hall (former 1st Baptist Church) & Vienna Presbyterian "little chapel" will be open

Santa will arrive around 6:30 p.m. & help Mayor Seeman light the holiday tree

Holiday entertainment by Vienna Community Band, Work in Progress, Wolftrap Elementary Singers & other local musicians

Roast marshmallows at supervised "bon fires"

Petting zoo

Toys for Tots drop-off at Encompass Design Build, 211 Mill St., N.E.

Sponsored by Historic Vienna Inc. & the Town of Vienna For more information, call 703-938-5187

## Real Estate Tax Due December 7

The second installment on 2009 Town of Vienna real estate tax bills is due on December 7. Mailed payments must be postmarked on or before that date to avoid penalties and interest. For your convenience, an overnight drop box is located at the front door of Town Hall.

If you have not received your bill by November 16, please call the Real Estate Office at 703-255-6325 or e-mail mpeng@viennava.gov. If your Vienna taxes are paid through your mortgage company and you receive the tax bill, please notify your mortgage company immediately. If you have sold the property and are not responsible for the tax bill you receive, please notify the real estate office immediately.

To pay by debit or credit card online, go to www.viennava.gov/Town Departments/ onlinepay.htm. To pay by phone with a credit card, call 1-888-2PAYTAX (1-888-272-9829) and use the Jurisdiction Code 1094 for real estate. Make sure you record the confirmation number given to you at the end of the transaction, as this will serve as your proof of payment.

# TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise

#### **JUNE 15, 2009**

- Approved the use of flags and balloons to identify stores staying open late on the third Thursday of each month.
- Conducted a closed session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.
- Reappointed Charles Anderson to the Planning Commission, appointed Walter Basnight to the Transportation Safety Commission, and appointed Carey Sienicki to the Planning Commission, all for two-year terms.
- Renewed the contract with Baldersons Inc. of Chantilly for printing and mailing the Town Newsletter in the amount of \$18,334.94 for one year.
- Awarded a bid for tree maintenance and removal to Davey Tree Expert Co. of Chantilly in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for the fiscal year.
- Approved water meter purchases from HD Supply Waterworks of Roanoke in the amount of \$80,233.

- Authorized continuation of laboratory drinking water analysis by Fairfax Water at a cost of \$15,000 for the fiscal year.
- Adopted an ordinance to regulate how far a carport may project into the side yard of a house.
- Adopted an ordinance regulating portable storage containers.
- Adopted amendments to the penalties section of the zoning code.
- Adopted amendments to the erosion and siltation control standards and regulations.
- Adopted an ordinance requiring an approved permit for work in the public right-of-way.
- Adopted a schedule of public works fees.
- Rezoned Northside Park from PR-Park and Recreational Zone to PC-Park and Conservation Zone.
  - Adopted amendments to the motor

vehicle code to bring it into conformance with new state laws.

• Adopted the Town budget and set the tax rates for fiscal year 2009-2010. (Budget adopted 6-1, Lovelace voting nay.)

#### **JULY 6, 2009**

- Conducted a closed session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.
- Appointed Mike Gadell to the Town/Business Liaison Committee for a two-year term.
- Appointed Councilwoman Kelleher as Mayor pro tempore for fiscal year 2009-10. Made the following committee appointments: Northern Virginia Regional Commission, Mayor Seeman; Town Employee Retirement Committee, Councilman Springsteen; representative to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, Councilwoman Kelleher; representative to the Providence District Advisory Committee, Councilman Polychrones; representative to the Hunter Mill Land Use Advisory Committee, Councilwoman DiRocco; representative to the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, Councilwoman Cole.
- Conducted a public hearing on a proposed \$25 fee for the use of a portable storage container.
- Approved Historic Vienna Inc.'s request to apply for state and national historic status for the Freeman House and the original Vienna library.
- Authorized a memorandum of understanding between the Town and Fairfax County to restore and stabilize a portion of Wolftrap Creek.
- Authorized the release of original letters of credit to Ayrhill Homes and accepted the public improvements for several subdivisions in southeast Vienna.

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## **TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER**

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#### VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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Send news to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall. FAX 703-255-5722 e-mail pio@viennava.gov Deadline for the December issue is November 15.

# <u>Comment from the Council Table</u> Vienna's First Responders

By Howard J. Springsteen, Vienna Town Councilman

Many of our citizens are not fully aware of our unsung heroes, Vienna's First Responders. These are the men and women of the Vienna Police Department, the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department career staff assigned to the Vienna fire station, and the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department (VVFD). Both police and fire personnel are on duty round the clock 365 days a year responding to over 15,000 emergency calls for assistance within the Town of Vienna.

The Town of Vienna Police Department comprises 41 sworn officers and 11 civilian employees with a fiscal year 2010 budget of \$5.7 million.

The Chief of Police, Colonel Robert A. Carlisle, is the top law enforcement authority within the agency and is supported by a Command Staff of a Deputy Chief and three Lieutenants. Each Lieutenant commands one of three divisions: Patrol, Support Services, and Administration.

Within the Patrol Division there are four squads, each comprising a Sergeant, a Master Police Officer (who acts as the supervisor in the absence of the Sergeant), and three patrol officers. The Traffic Squad, which includes four motorcycle officers, one officer assigned to a cruiser, and a Sergeant, falls under this division.

The Support Services Division consists of five detectives, two undercover narcotics officers, one gang detective (assigned to the Northern Virginia Gang Task Force), a Public Information/Community Relations Officer, and an Animal Control Officer.

The Administrative Division encompasses records, communications, information technology, and training. It consists of seven civilian dispatchers, an Information Technology Coordinator, and the Vienna representative to the Fairfax County Criminal Justice Academy. It's estimated that the seven dispatchers received over 20,000 phone calls last year.

Patrol officers work 12-hour rotating shifts from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. or from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. For every two-week period, the officers work seven 12-hour shifts and rotate from day shift to night shift every 14 days. Shift work takes its toll on officers

and their families alike.

The newest online publication, *Vienna Police Highlights*, provides Vienna residents with the vital facts they need to be well informed, dispel rumors, and stay safe. The department has also acquired and implemented an Emergency Telephone Notification System, which can deliver critical information to all the telephones in a specifically selected geographic area of the town.

In calendar year 2008, the department responded to 12,876 calls for service. Officers made 544 arrests for criminal offenses and investigated 430 traffic crashes.

In terms of Fire and Rescue protection, the Town of Vienna and surrounding community is protected by a combined Fairfax County career and volunteer effort. Of the 40 fire stations across the county, the Vienna fire station is one of only 12 volunteer fire stations. The Vienna volunteers own and maintain all of the property and purchase all the emergency vehicles you see each day.

The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department (in existence for over 57 years) provides 24-hour staffing coverage with three shifts of 22 highly trained career personnel. The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department has 32 operational members who help staff additional units to provide supplemental staffing and assistance. In addition, along with some 60 support and auxiliary members, they run the day-today operations of the organization and help raise funds to purchase the equipment, pay off the fire station building mortgage, maintain the fire station, and are involved in numerous community outreach activities. In calendar year 2008, the Vienna fire station responded to over 4,300 emergency calls for assistance. The total cost needed to operate this fire station, using both funds raised by the volunteers and Fairfax County funds to pay the salary costs of career staff, phone and communications, utilities, vehicle maintenance and insurance, exceeds \$2.8 million a year. There is a fully staffed fire engine and a medic unit (ambulance) on duty 24 hours a

The VVFD was established in 1903 at



Councilman Springsteen

the behest of Councilman Leon Freeman. This was the first volunteer fire department in the area. The VVFD purchased the first motorized fire protection in Fairfax County - a 1919 Model T Ford truck. In September 1929, the VVFD received its charter and was established as Company 2. New vehicles were purchased to keep pace with the growing needs of the community. In 1946, the department purchased a new pumper from the Maxim Motor Company. This pumper is on display at the station and is used during parades, the annual Santa Run, and other public events. The department's very active auxiliary was organized in 1927 and was the first such group in Fairfax County.

In 1958, the Fire Department constructed its present facility at 400 Center St., S. The department currently owns and maintains the property and station facilities. In 2004-5 the fire station underwent major building renovations that cost over \$3.6 million, resulting in dramatically improving the living and working environment for both volunteer and career staff operating out of the station. Many of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue career firefighters have come from the volunteer ranks, including current Deputy Chief of Operations David Rohr, who grew up in town. His sister-in-law, Ruth Rohr, is a civilian employee of the Vienna Police Department who works under the Police Chief and assists in dispatching police calls among her many responsibilities. For more information about the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department go to www. vvfd.org.

# **Welcome New Businesses**

The following business licenses were issued in September:

Refind consignment shop 101 Church St., N.W. #D no phone # given

Columbia School of Broadcasting educational service 301 Maple Ave., W. #G 703-591-6000 Stonegate Remodeling *contractor*317 Patrick St., S.W. 703-207-0460

change of ownership: Dairy Queen 304 Maple Ave., W. 703-242-3820

# Convenient Location & Friendly Service SHOP IN VIENNA Support Our Hometown Merchants

Congratulations to the following businesses celebrating milestone anniversaries in November: 20 years – Carpet Dynamics, Nancy K. Cartier, E.A.; 10 years – Advanced Design & Construction, Joanne Ehreth Burke, CPA, Karla Colletto Swimwear, Taco Bell.

# Nominate Your Favorite Business for Community Service Award

The Vienna Town/Business Liaison Committee invites nominations of businesses and business owners for the 2010 Carole Wolfand Community Service Award. The award is given each year to a town business entity or business owner in recognition of outstanding contributions to the community life and spirit of Vienna.

Anyone may submit a nomination. (No self-nominations will be considered.) To qualify, the nominee must be a business entity or business owner located within the Vienna town limits. To nominate a business or business owner, please submit the following:

- Business name of nominee
- Business address of nominee
- Business phone number of nominee
- Description of contribution/action to be considered and why (200 words or less)
- Name, address and phone number of person making the nomination

Entries should be typed or legible and must be received by January 29 to be considered. Send to: Town/Business Liaison Committee, c/o Julia Haskins, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180. Nominations may also be faxed to 703-255-5729 or e-mailed to *jhaskins@viennava.gov* (put "TBLC award" in subject line).

# **Express Your Views on Bus Service**

Fairfax County is developing a comprehensive 10-year plan for bus service county-wide that includes both Fairfax Connector and Metrobus. The County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) held a public meeting on transit development planning last month at Town Hall and will continue to accept comments through the end of November.

Use the online comment form at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/cfdot/tdp.htm, call 703-324-1500 to record your comments by phone, or write to Randall White, FCDOT, 4050 Legato Road, Suite 400, Fairfax, VA 22033-2895.

# Memorial Will Honor Richard Black

The Town of Vienna will dedicate a bike rack and tree at the Vienna Community Center in honor of Richard Black, former Director of Parks and Recreation, who died this summer. In cooperation with his family, the memorial dedication has been scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday, November 7, at the Community Center. The public is invited to attend the ceremony.

In addition, contributions are being accepted to help pay for the bike rack, which will have five loops with the custom Town of Vienna design on each end. It will be freestanding so it can be moved around as needed, much like the current rack on site. If you would like to donate, please make your check payable to the Town of Vienna and send to Cathy Salgado, c/o Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180.

# "Vienna at Your Service" Features Presbyterian Chapel

Join Mayor Jane Seeman at the next "Vienna at Your Service" meeting on Tuesday, November 17, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., N.E.

Vienna historian Mayo Stuntz will talk about the church's "little chapel," built in 1874. Vienna Presbyterian has grown from its original nine organizers to become the largest Presbyterian church in Virginia.

Vienna at Your Service was designed to give citizens the opportunity to learn more about their community. Participants are asked to register with the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department. For more information, call 703-255-6360.

## **Bike Advisory Committee**

The newly formed Vienna Bicycle Advisory Committee will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday, November 19, in the lower level conference room at Town Hall. All interested citizens are welcome to attend.



#### **Closings & Cancellations**

For information on town government closings, cancellations and other snow-related items, residents can call the Vienna Newsline, 703-255-6333, or visit the Town Web site, *www.viennava.gov*, 24 hours a day. Also stay tuned to local TV and radio stations for updates.

The Vienna Community Center follows Fairfax County Public Schools' snow schedule. If schools are closed, activities at the Community Center will be canceled.

#### **Snow Removal Award**

This winter, if you feel that any businesses or citizens have done an excellent job in removing snow from their driveways and/or sidewalks, or helped others in removing snow, please nominate them for a Snow Removal Award. To make a nomination and for more information, call the Planning and Zoning Department at 703-255-6341.

#### **Keep These Phone Numbers Handy**

Police/Fire & Rescue Emergency		911
Vienna Police Direct	703-938-	4900
Public Works Department	703-255-0	6381
Weekends/Evenings	703-255-0	6366





Town of Vienna
Snow Removal
Program
Winter Weather
Guide



November 2009

#### **Snow Removal**

Sanding and salting operations begin immediately at the onset of snow and ice. Plowing begins when snow has accumulated two inches or more, with the primary streets listed below receiving top priority:

Maple Avenue

Nutley Street (Marshall to Malcolm)

Park Street (Maple to Fardale)

Center Street (North and South)

Kingsley Road (Nutley to Park)

Courthouse Road

Locust Street (Branch to Park)

Lawyers Road

Malcolm Road

Old Courthouse Road

Creek Crossing Road

Cottage Street

Church Street

Tapawingo Road (Park to Nutley)

Follin Lane

Branch Road

Beulah Road

Cherry Street (Center to Park)

Marshall Road

Electric Avenue

Glyndon Street (Locust to Church)

Once these streets are passable, snowplows can then move into residential subdivisions following established routes. If the primaries require salting/sanding/plowing again after one pass, this will be done before going to the secondary streets.

#### **Snow Emergency Routes**

Snow emergency routes within the town are marked by signs. No parking is allowed on these main streets during snows so that plows can do a more efficient job. Vehicles must have chains or tires approved for use during snow emergencies.

#### **Parking During Snows**

When snowplows are at work, residents are asked not to park on any street posted as a "snow emergency route," and on non-snow emergency routes residents are asked to park only on the side of the street with even-numbered addresses, or in their driveway, garage or carport, if possible. This parking plan is voluntary but strongly recommended to enable snowplows to maneuver more easily. It is best not to clear your private driveway until the snow plow has cleared the street because it is not possible to keep snow from closing up the driveway area.

#### **Clearing Sidewalks**

Residents who are physically able are requested to shovel sidewalks next to their property for the safety of pedestrians, especially schoolchildren. Vienna area teens are available to shovel snow and help with other odd jobs through the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department's Job Bank. The teen and the person needing the work decide on the amount to be paid for the service. Teens can sign up with the Job Bank at the Community Center, and residents can call 703-255-6360 to be matched with a young worker.

Town businesses that hire snowplows to clear their parking lots are asked to make sure that snow is not piled onto adjoining sidewalks or pushed into the street. This creates a serious hazard for pedestrians.

# Clearing Fire Hydrants & Water Meters

Residents who can are asked to assist the Water and Sewer Division in clearing ice and snow from fire hydrants near their homes. In case of an emergency, firefighters will be able to respond much quicker if the hydrants are accessible.

During winter weather, please keep water meter enclosures clear of snow and ice. If the meter cannot be read due to obstructions, an estimated bill must be rendered.

#### Some Frequently Asked Questions About Snow Removal

- Q: Which streets are plowed first and why?
- A: Primary streets, which are most important for emergency situations, followed by secondary streets and cul-de-sacs.
- Q: Why don't they plow from curb to curb?
- A: Plow crews are trying to open area streets for emergency access with the initial pass. When primary streets are clear, crews will return for additional plowing.
- Q: Why do I sometimes see a snowplow going down the street with its blade up?
- A: It may be going to a preassigned area, applying sand or returning to the property yard for more sand.
- Q: Why don't they plow my cul-de-sac better?
- A: Maneuverability in cul-de-sacs is very difficult for snow plows, and cars parked on the street can make plowing nearly impossible.
- Q: Why do they plow the snow onto my yard?
- A: This occurs mainly on corner lots in order to widen the intersection for increased safety.
- Q: Where should I put the snow when I dig my car out so it won't be plowed in again?
- A: To the edge of the roadway.
- Q: Is there an ordinance requiring residents to shovel sidewalks?
- A: The Town of Vienna has no such requirement, mainly because it would impose a hardship on elderly and disabled residents.
- Q: Who is responsible for clearing business parking lots?
- A: The business owner.

# **NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & REC**

For more information about any of the activities listed below, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

Pottery show and sale will be held at the Bowman House Arts and Crafts Center, 211 Center St., S., on Saturday, November 14, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission is free. The show will feature items made by students and teachers in Vienna Parks and Recreation's pottery program, and a portion of the proceeds will go to support the program.

**Final performances** of the Vienna Theatre Company's production of "Sleuth" will be November 1 at 1 p.m. and November 6 and 7 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 general admission and \$9 for students and senior citizens (65 and older).

#### **AT THE TEEN CENTER**

**Fall Volunteer Day** is scheduled for 4 p.m. Wednesday, November 11. Get Club Phoenix and the surrounding area cleaned up and ready for winter. Community service hours will be awarded.

**Cooking Club** will serve up Thanksgiving sides at 4 p.m. Tuesday, November 24. Enjoy stuffing, mashed potatoes and other fixin's without the turkey. Free of charge.

#### <u>MANAGING YOUR MONEY</u> <u>& YOUR ESTATE</u>

Why Good Wills Go Bad will be presented on Monday, November 9, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Join attorney David Hoffman for a discussion of Virginia will law, organizing your assets, when to change your will, talking to your executor, reducing probate, do-it-yourself tax plans, will copies, and more. Free of charge; no advance registration required.

#### **BUS TRIP**

Celebrate the holidays with the U.S. Army Band, "Pershing's Own," at Constitution Hall in Washington, DC, on Sunday, December 13. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 12:30 p.m. and return at 6 p.m. This concert features

the U.S. Army Orchestra, the U.S. Army Chorus, and vocalists from The U.S. Army Band Downrange. Tickets are free; transportation is \$20 for town residents. Registration for this trip begins November 2 for town residents.

#### **POTPOURRI**

Northside Park Invasive Management Team work day is set for Saturday, November 7, from 9 to 11 a.m. Meet on the Glyndon Street side of the park. No registration is required. Bring gloves and wear comfortable protective clothing such as long-sleeved shirts and long pants. Find out how you or your organization can participate in this project year-round. For more information, contact Parks and Recreation Director Cathy Salgado at *csalga do@viennava.gov* or 703-255-6356.

Women's self-defense class, commonly known as R.A.D. (Rape Aggression Defense), will be offered by the Vienna Police Department November 9, 11, 16 and 18 from 7 to 10 p.m. The program is designed for the average woman with no previous experience or background in physical skills training. Escape and response techniques are demonstrated in practical scenarios as well as ways to reduce the risk of becoming a victim. The fee for all four sessions is \$5 for town residents plus a \$15 materials fee.

Potluck Thanksgiving brunch for mature adults will be held on Thursday, November 19, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free of charge; please bring a favorite dish serving at least eight. The brunch will include a sing-along, and participants are invited to talk about things for which they are grateful.

Vienna's Community Enhancement Commission Invites You to Join in the Annual

# TOWN CLEANUP DAY SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7 9 to 11 a.m. RAIN OR SHINE!

♦Individuals, families & community service groups welcome

♦Cleanup assignments can be tailored to you & your group

◆Garbage bags & gloves provided◆

♦Check-in at the Vienna Community Center for bag & glove pickup

♦Walk-ins welcome on Cleanup Day

♦Organizations sign up in advance

For More Information, Call 703-255-6360 Vienna Parks & Recreation



# HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Holiday Bazaar, sponsored by the Vienna Woman's Club, will be held at the Vienna Community Center on Saturday, November 14, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The bazaar will include more than 75 craft vendors, and children's activities from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Proceeds go to the club's scholarship fund.

Veterans Day ceremony will be held at American Legion Post 180, 330 Center St., N., at 11 a.m. Wednesday, November 11. Lunch will be served following the ceremony. For information, call 703-938-9535. Thanks to Post 180 for lining Maple Avenue, Center Street and Nutley Street with American flags on Veterans Day and other patriotic holidays.

**5K Turkey Trot**, sponsored by the James Madison High School Band, is scheduled for 8 a.m. Sunday, November 8, beginning at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department. The registration fee is \$20 for ages 15 and older (\$25 after October 31 and on race day) and \$15 for ages 14 and under (\$20 after October 31 and on race day). Proceeds benefit the band and the Fire Department. The first 300 runners will receive long-sleeve t-shirts. To register and for more information, visit www.viennaturkeytrot.com, e-mail turkeytrot@jmhsband.org or call Joan Ferrini-Mundy at 703-638-9426.

"Treasury of Art," annual juried show and sale sponsored by the Vienna Arts Society, is scheduled for November 20-22 at the Vienna Community Center. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Artists and photographers may submit up to three entries plus bin pieces by the November 13 deadline. For more information, call 703-319-3971 or visit www.vien naartssociety.org.

Christmas trees – The Optimist Club of Greater Vienna's Christmas tree stand opens November 28 in the parking lot of the Maple Avenue (Giant) Shopping Center. Hours are 2 to 9 p.m. weekdays and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekends. The Vienna Host Lions Club will sell Christmas trees in the Walgreens (formerly Safeway) parking lot beginning November 29. Both

the Lions and the Optimists donate all proceeds from Christmas tree sales to charitable and community service projects.

A new Rachael A. Peden ornament for 2009, the 10th in the series commissioned by Historic Vienna Inc., is available for \$19.50 at the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E. The ornament depicts the Bowman House on Center Street, which many in town know as the Bowman House Arts & Crafts Center. 2009 holiday cards are also available, featuring an interior scene of the Freeman House with Santa Claus reading a story to youngsters. The cards cost \$8.50 for a pack of ten. More information is available at www.historicviennainc.org or call 703-938-5187.

Thanksgiving craft show, sponsored by the Northern Virginia Handcrafters Guild, will be held November 27, 28 and 29 at the Vienna Community Center. Admission is \$3 per person. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Juried artisans will offer gift items, home décor, wearable art and more. See examples at www.nvhg.org.

Christmas craft show will be held November 19 and 20 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and November 21 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Oakton Church of the Brethren, 10025 Courthouse Rd. The show will feature handmade items and craft supplies, bake sale, and lunch. Part of the proceeds will be used to help repay the church's handicapped access project loans. For more information, call 703-281-4411 or go to www.oaktonbrethren.org.

Homes for Our Troops helps servicemen and women returning from war with serious disabilities. The organization collects money, building materials and professional labor, and coordinates the process of building specially adapted homes for severely injured veterans. Since 2004, Homes for Our Troops has completed 43 houses and another 30 projects are underway across the country, including three in Virginia. The organization is currently seeking land in or near Fairfax County to build a house for a young Marine who is a double amputee. To learn more, visit www.homesforourtroops.org.

**DMZ to Delta Dance**, hosted by Vietnam Veterans of America, Northern Virginia Chapter 227, will be held on Tuesday, November 10, from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Holiday Inn Rosslyn. All veterans and the general public are welcome. Tickets are \$30 per person, available at the door, and proceeds support the chapter's veterans and community service programs. For more information, call 703-255-0353 or visit www.vva227.org.

Vienna Wireless Society, established in 1963 to foster and advance amateur radio in the Northern Virginia area, will meet November 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the library at Oakton High School. You do not have to be a licensed ham radio operator to attend or participate in club activities. For more information, visit www.viennawire less.org or contact VWS president Jim Parsons at 703-392-0150 or W4JTP@ par sonage.net.

Community blood drive will be held at Louise Archer Elementary School, 324 Nutley St., N.W., on Wednesday, November 18, from 1 to 7 p.m. To schedule an appointment, e-mail blooddrive@louisear cherpta.org or call 703-865-6321 and leave your name, phone number, e-mail address, and desired time slot. You will receive a confirmation.

Christmas Bazaar will be held at Epiphany United Methodist Church, 1014 Country Club Dr., N.E., on Saturday, December 5, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The bazaar will feature crafts, poinsettias, centerpieces and wreaths plus a silent auction, baked goods and lunch. For more information, call the church at 703-938-3494.

Open house at the Vienna railroad station, corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E., will be held on Saturday, November 14, from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is free; donations accepted. The Northern Virginia Model Railroaders invite the public to see an operating HO scale model railroad. For information, call 703-938-5157 or visit www.nvmr.org. Vienna's red caboose will also be open to visitors, thanks to the Optimist Club of Greater Vienna.

Vienna Health Fair will be held on Sunday, November 1, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Vienna Adventist Academy gym, 340 Courthouse Rd., S.W. Screenings that will be offered free of charge or at a reduced cost include vision, hearing, glaucoma, BMI, blood pressure, glucose, cholesterol, flu shots and more. For more information, call 703-938-8383 or e-mail viennahealthfair@verizon.net..

Food drive for CHO, sponsored by the Northeast Vienna Citizens Association (NEVCA), will begin November 1 through December 31. Deposit non-perishable food items in the boxes at Town Hall, the Vienna Community Center, Freedom Bank, bikes@vienna, Vienna Rexall, Uniquities, and Vienna Presbyterian Church. Be sure to check the expiration dates on donations!

Vienna Choral Society will present "Hallelujah! A Christmas Concert," featuring Handel's *Messiah* and other seasonal favorites, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, November 5, at Vienna Baptist Church, 541 Marshall Rd., S.W. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$14 for seniors and children. At 4 p.m. Sunday, December 6, the group will present "Celebrate! Holiday Music for the Family" at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Rd. in Oakton. Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$14 for seniors, and free for children. Tickets are available online at *viennacho ralsociety.org* or by calling 703-255-5508.

Vienna Toastmasters will meet at the Vienna Community Center the second and fourth Wednesdays in November at 7:30 p.m. Are you afraid to get up and speak in front of others? You are not alone, but Toastmasters can help you overcome your fears in a fun and friendly atmosphere. For more information, call Jim at 703-201-6555 or visit http://viennatmc.freetoast host.ws.

Life Line Screening will be offered on Friday, November 20, at the Moose lodge, 9616 Courthouse Rd. Screenings will be offered for carotid artery blockage, abdominal aortic aneurysms, hardening of the arteries in the legs, irregular heartbeat, and bone density. The cost for all tests is \$149. Blood testing is also available for an additional \$70. To make an appointment, call 1-800-324-1851, code HSC3549.

Vienna Woman's Club will meet at 1 p.m. Wednesday, November 18, at the Vienna Community Center. Guest speaker will be MPO Bill Murray, Community Services Officer with the Vienna Police Department.

Koinonia Koffeehouse will be held on Saturday, November 7, from 7 to 10 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 8601 Wolftrap Rd. All ages are invited to enjoy light refreshments, fellowship, and live music including an open mic. For more information, contact Patrice Roe at 703-896-7424 or development@olgcva.org.

Preparations are underway to help more than 200 local families for Christmas. The Committee for Helping Others (CHO) needs volunteers to set up at Vienna Presbyterian Church on Friday, December 11, and Saturday, December 12, for distribution. You can provide new toys for ages 1-12, gift cards for ages 13-18, and food cards for the adults. CHO also distributes lightly used bikes in riding condition. Vienna residents, organizations and businesses are invited to get involved in helping local kids. For more information call Carolyn Mysel at the CHO phone number, 703-281-7614, box #1.

White House Christmas ornaments will be sold at Giant Food, 359 Maple Ave., E., November 14, 15, 21 and 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. by the Vienna Stars, Vienna's Girls Fastpitch Softball Travel Team. A portion of your purchase will go to support these young athletes. You can also purchase ornaments by contacting Judy Pistilli at <code>jpistilli27@msn.com</code> or Ruth Rohr at <code>rerrohr@cox.net</code>.

Vienna/Oakton Vision Impaired Resource Group will meet at 10:15 a.m. Thursday, November 19, at Patrick Henry Library. Attorney Evan Farr will speak on Elder Law and Life Care Planning. For information or transportation, call Steve Sedgwick, 703-255-0515, or Rhoda Stevens, 703-281-9679.

This month at Patrick Henry Library – At 1 p.m. Tuesday, November 10, folksinger Judy Cook will present songs and stories of the Civil War as well as readings from letters written by her great, great grandparents during their wartime

separation. The Film Odyssey series takes you to Italy at 6 p.m. Wednesday, November 4, and the subject of the Great Decisions roundtable discussion at 2 p.m. Tuesday, November 24, will be Human Rights in a New Era. To register for these free programs and for more information, visit the library or call 703-938-0405.

The Women's Center, 127 Park St., N.E., offers counseling and educational services addressing psychological, career, financial, and legal needs to women and families based on their ability to pay. Programs for November include mindful eating, legal aspects of separation and divorce, anger management, and more. For more information, go to www.thewomens center.org or call 703-281-2657.

Entertainment Books feature savings of up to 50% on restaurants, shopping, travel, entertainment, and more. Books are available from the Vienna chapter of NARFE (National Active and Retired Federal Employees) for \$30 each, and all proceeds go to Alzheimer's research. To order, call Shirley Martin at 703-938-6580.

Potomac Valley Shetland Sheepdog Club will host sheep-herding tests and trials November 14 and 15 at the Dawgwood Farm in Goldvein, Virginia. For details on this event and other activities, visit www. Potomac Valley SSC.com. The club sponsors numerous activities for members and area Sheltie fanciers.

All-you-can-eat breakfast buffet at American Legion Post 180, 330 Center St., N., includes omelets, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, sausage, bacon, biscuits and sausage gravy, potatoes, fruit, coffee, and juice. The buffet will be open on Sunday, November 15, from 8 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. Park at the rear of the building and enter on the second level. The buffet is hosted by Auxiliary Unit 180. For more information or to reserve seating for parties of eight or more, call Janet Renner at 703-625-5736.

**Open house** at Our Lady of Good Counsel School will be held on Sunday, November 15, with tours at 10 and 11 a.m. For more information, call 703-938-3600 or visit *www.olgcschool.org*.

# TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

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- Approved professional engineering services from Whitman, Requardt and Associates in the amount of \$5,000 to revise and resubmit a water quality sampling plan to the Virginia Department of Health.
- Approved the purchase of a 2010 compact truck, extended cab, 4x4 for the General Maintenance Division at a cost of \$17.407.
- Awarded a bid for PVC pipe and ductile iron waterworks supplies to Ferguson Waterworks of Chantilly in the amount of \$66,782.29.
- Approved computer maintenance contracts and purchase of computer supplies for the Police Department at a cost of \$16.785.
- Approved the following contracts for the Police Department in the total amount of \$115,058: software maintenance for the computer-aided dispatch, law enforcement records management and mobile data system; short-term vehicle rental; uniforms and accessories; and radio maintenance.
- Accepted a U.S. Department of Justice-Technology Program grant in the amount of \$160,000 to upgrade the Police Department's digital recording system and the reverse telephone notification system.
- Awarded support services for the Town's central financial system to Sungard/Pentamation Enterprises in an amount not to exceed \$35,900 for the fiscal year.
- •Approved the purchase of asphaltliquid, hot mix for street repairs from National Asphalt Manufacturing Co. in the amount of \$125,000.

• Reappointed the Town Manager, Town Attorney and Town Treasurer for fiscal year 2009-2010.

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- Conducted a closed session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.
- Reappointed Steve Kenney to the Transportation Safety Commission for a two-year term.
- Following a public hearing, approved the construction of a sidewalk on the north side of Dogwood Street, S.W., between Center and Cottage Streets.
- Following a public hearing on an appeal of a decision by the Board of Architectural Review, approved a sign with logo for HSBC Bank, 214 Maple Ave., W., as requested by the applicant.
- Following a public hearing, referred proposed amendments to the Vienna Bkeway Plan concerning riding on sidewalks and bike paths to the Bicycle Advisory Committee.
- Approved the purchase of four Panasonic laptop computers and necessary associated equipment for the Police Department from GTSI Corp. at a cost of \$23,203.48.
- Accepted a Department of Motor Vehicles 2010 National Highway Traffic Administration pass-through grant in the amount of \$24,300, which includes a \$4,050 matching contribution by the Town. The grant will be used for overtime expenses to conduct traffic enforcement patrols.
- Approved a contract with E.E. Lyons Construction Co. to install four sec-

tions of water main at in the amount of \$169.666.50.

- Approved a contract with E.E. Lyons Construction Co. to install the Frederick Street and Nutley Street water booster pumping stations in the amount of \$66,780.
- Authorized the Knoll Street, N.W., street and sidewalk project in the amount of \$59,546, with the Virginia Department of Transportation Revenue Sharing Program reimbursing 50% of the cost.
- Approved the following Public Works Department expenses: silt removal by Sagres Construction Corp. at a cost of \$54,660.79; bid for asphalt repair and remarking from Espina Paving, \$58,855; contract with Tilley Chemical Co. for motor oils, lubricants, greases and related items, \$20,000; bid for asphalt hot mix from National Asphalt Manufacturing Corp., \$288,500; contract with Labor Ready Mid-Atlantic for labor agency services, \$31,128.60; contract with International Salt Co. for sodium chloride (rock salt), \$50,862; concrete repair and maintenance from Sagres Construction Corp., \$198,788.
- Awarded a bid for janitorial services for Town Hall and the Police Department to Blue Chip Service in an amount not to exceed \$30,701.76, with additional services as needed at an hourly rate of \$19.25.
- Approved publication of the delinquent real estate tax list and posting on the Town's Web site. The list will be entered into Fairfax County records and liens recorded against those properties that have been delinquent more than two years.
- Set a \$25 permit fee for portable storage containers.

Applications to display banners across Maple Avenue in 2010 are available in the Public Works Department at Town Hall.

Applications may be submitted by non-profit community organizations any time through November.

Banner space will be awarded in December via a lottery. Each banner will be displayed for two weeks.

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Nove	mber					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise	2010 dog tags go on sale Town Council	Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.	4	5	6	7
8	Leaf collection begins north side of town  Town Council work session	Mayor's Advisory Committee "Vienna at Your Service"	Veterans Day Planning Commission	Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m.	13	14
15	16 Town Council	17	Board of Zoning Appeals	Board of Architectural Review	Leaf collection begins south side of town	21
22	23	Transportation Safety Commission	25	Thanksgiving Town Hall closed  NO CURBSIDE RECYCLING	Town Hall closed  CURBSIDE  RECYCLING  FRIDAY ROUTE	28
29	Church Street Holiday Stroll			pickup first collection of recycling second collecti each week		

POLICE FIRE & RESCUE EMERGENCY 911

(Voice & TDD)

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703-255-6300 (Voice) 703-255-5735 (TDD) 127 Center Street, South Vienna, Virginia 22180-5799 Business Hours Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. PRSRT STD U.S. POSTAGE PAID Vienna, Va. Permit No. 36

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This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 703-255-6330, TDD 703-255-5735.

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# This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

NOVEMBER 1999 – Vienna's Community Enhancement Commission is ordering 2,000 tree seedlings from the Virginia Department of Forestry for distribution to town residents to be planted in celebration of the new millennium. A variety of seedlings will be available to pick up free of charge at the Community Center.

NOVEMBER 1989 – The Town Council will hold a public hearing November 6 on a proposed meals and lodging tax. A 3% tax has been proposed to finance bond issues for the Town's Capital Improvements Program, which includes a new police building, renovations to Maple Avenue, storm drainage improvements, and other major projects.

NOVEMBER 1979 – The Town Council has approved an incentive program to encourage litter control and beautification in Vienna's commercial areas. In a resolution adopted November 19, Council endorsed the efforts of the Vienna Business Beautification Committee and expressed support for the committee's plan to conduct a quarterly "best-looking business" competition beginning in the spring.

NOVEMBER 1969 – Mayor Jim Martinelli wrote, "The war in Vietnam has been much on all our minds. While we deplore the horror of war and the slaughter of our young men, let us not minimize their sacrifices. We honor these men on November 11 at Vienna's Veterans Day ceremonies. We hope that more people than ever will turn out this year to pay tribute to our service men, and to say a prayer for peace."

INFORMATION 24 HOURS A DAY Vienna Newsline – 703-255-6333 www.viennava.gov

# Recycle Motor Oil, Antifreeze, Batteries

The next quarterly recycling day for used motor oil, antifreeze and car batteries is Saturday, December 5, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Northside Property Yard, 600 Mill St., N.E. (entrance at the dead end of the street). This service of the Department of Public Works (DPW) provides citizens a convenient and environmentally responsible way to dispose of vehicle waste products.

DPW also offers recycling of small rechargeable batteries at the quarterly recycling events at Northside.

For more information, call 703-255-6381.

## Electric Sunday November 15

Fairfax County's next Electric Sunday TV and Computer Recycling event will be held November 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 West Ox Rd.

This event is free of charge. For more information, call 703-324-5052 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/recycling.